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Reporting for week ending April 9, 2006

General

Warm and dry conditions were observed throughout most of the state during the week. Windy conditions were also observed during the week. Much of the state is still in need of rain. The week ended with a cool front that produced unseasonable cool night-time temperatures. There were 6.0 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 2% very short, 23% short, 70% adequate, and 5% surplus.

Crops

Corn planting was well ahead of its normal rate with 72% reported planted. One-third of the corn crop was reported emerged. Soybean planting was 6% complete. Sorghum planting remained ahead of normal with 16% of the crop planted. Rice planting was also ahead of normal with 15% complete. Winter wheat crop was rated as 15% headed with most of the crop in good condition.

Livestock

Livestock were rated in mostly good condition. Cattlemen were busy vaccinating herds and fertilizing pastures. Hay crops were in mostly fair to good condition. Pastures were in mostly fair to good condition.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2005	5 Year Avg
Corn	Planted	72	49	55	55
	Emerged	33	20	22	22
Rice	Planted	15	2	5	11
Sorghum	Planted	16	8	7	12
Soybeans	Planted	6	1	3	2
Wheat	Headed	15	5	4	3

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	0	4	24	57	15
Hay-other	0	9	61	26	4
Hay-Alfalfa	0	0	59	41	0
Pasture & Range	4	15	45	33	3

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Weather for the Week

There were 6 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 22% very short, 42% short, 32% adequate, and 4% surplus.

Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending: April 9, 2006

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal	Wk Ending April 9	April Accum	April Normal	Jan - March	
								2006	Normal
North west	Fayetteville	76	30	3	0.49	1.31	4.44	5.97	8.07
	Harrison	78	35	2	0.73	1.57	4.27	14.92	8.86
N. Central	Calico Rock	85	31	4	0.45	0.49	4.24	10.71	9.73
	Gilbert	82	29	1	0.65	1.10	4.38	11.06	9.16
	Greers Ferry	84	35	2	0.31	0.66	4.79	15.20	11.14
	Mountain Home	81	38	3	0.46	1.14	4.40	8.45	9.55
Northeast	Batesville	84	34	4	0.15	0.28	4.72	12.18	10.37
	Jonesboro	84	38	4	0.11	1.58	5.11	12.26	10.59
	Keiser	84	35	3	0.45	0.71	5.19	13.31	11.57
	Newport	86	38	4	0.07	0.26	4.85	19.05	10.83
W. Central	Booneville	84	37	1	0.17	0.27	n/a	6.29	9.74
	Clarksville	83	39	5	0.43	0.75	4.38	9.11	9.49
	Dardanelle	85	38	3	0.64	0.96	4.40	10.88	10.24
	Ft. Smith	83	41	4	0.77	0.99	3.97	10.65	8.30
	Mena	81	38	5	0.85	2.31	5.80	6.75	11.32
	Ozark	80	42	3	1.14	2.11	4.35	14.26	9.39
Central	Conway	86	38	4	0.11	0.33	n/a	12.25	10.44
	Hot Springs	81	42	4	0.14	2.33	5.89	11.15	12.13
	Little Rock	85	40	5	0.11	0.71	n/a	12.02	11.00
	N Little Rock	84	40	2	0.16	0.83	5.08	10.31	10.73
E. Central	Brinkley	77	34	1	0.00	0.00	5.14	14.80	11.68
	Marianna	81	38	2	0.00	0.47	5.51	17.08	12.75
	Stuttgart	82	39	3	0.00	2.06	5.25	13.47	11.49
South west	Hope	78	48	7	0.00	0.02	5.55	9.85	12.30
	Texarkana	85	41	6	0.01	0.01	5.12	10.35	10.32
	Camden	84	39	6	0.00	0.07	5.37	10.12	13.03
S. Central	El Dorado	86	38	5	0.09	0.11	5.31	17.97	13.52
	Warren	77	38	3	0.77	1.07	5.28	14.00	14.55
Southeast	Eudora	88	41	6	1.92	2.12	5.46	17.13	15.74
	Pine Bluff	82	42	4	0.01	0.30	1.19	14.20	12.45
	Rohwer	84	40	3	1.00	1.61	1.19	17.97	13.75

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